buildings in Brazil is Rs. 1.18 crores as against the total annual rental liability on leased buildings in foreign countries of Rs. 142.16 crores.

Migration of Minorities from Bangladesh

531. SHRIMATI JAYAPRADA NAHATA:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:
SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO:
SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that people belonging to minority communities are coming to India due to fear, after installation of new Government in neighbouring country of Bangladesh;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;

(c) the action taken to express Government's concern over deterioration in situation following attacks on minorities;

(d) whether Government had sent any envoy to draw attention of the Bangladesh Government; and

(e) if so, his name and the results of the dialogue held?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) to (e) A Statement is placed on the Table of the House. [*Refer to the Statement appended to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 515.*]

Musharraf's reported statement about freedom of Jammu and Kashmir

532. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the news-item captioned Musharraf see freedom for Jammu and Kashmir, appearing in the 'Hindustan Times' dated the 23rd August, 2001;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Pakistan President has praised Kashmiris who died fighting Indian troops in Jammu and Kashmir and said freedom is around the corner for its people; and

(c) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. Government have seen the report appearing in the Hindustan Times on 23rd August 2001.

(b) and (c) Pakistani leaders often resort to propagandist statements of this nature of justify Pakistan's sponsorship of cross border terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir. The use of terrorism as an instrument of state policy has been strongly rejected by the international community. There is a very clear consensus in the international community today that there can no justification for terrorism, and that terrorism must be eradicated wherever it exits.

The State of Jammu and Kashmir is and shall remain an integral part of the Indian Union. Government are firmly resolved to take all necessary steps to preserve the unity and territorial integrity of the country. India has the resolve, strength and stamina to resist terrorism until it is decisively crushed.

Exposure of Pak sponsored terrorism before the world fraternity

533. SHRI AHMED PATEL:
DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken diplomatic steps to expose Pakistan's nefarious design of aiding and abetting terrorism in Kashmir before the world fraternity and isolating it on this count after the terrorist attacks in USA in September this year;

(b) if so, to what extent Government have succeeded in this regard;

(c) the countries with whom this was the subject of discussion alongwith the details thereof; and

(d) the results achieved therefrom?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) to (d) Government have been appropriately and effectively bringing to the attention of the international community facts pertaining to Pakistan's sponsorship of cross border terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir and other parts of India. The issue has also been raised during high level discussions with several foreign leaders including *inter alia* during the recent meetings Prime Minister had with the Presidents of Russia and United States, as well as the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.

The international community is fully aware that Pakistan sponsors cross border terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir and other parts of India, this is also indicated by some of these countries.